

## In the Social Realm

The Epworth League will hold one of its popular socials at the G. A. R. hall Wednesday evening. All the young people of the society and church are cordially invited. The league will hold its regular business meeting Tuesday evening.

A. L. Vroman and family of Medford spent Christmas with Mrs. Vroman's sister, Mrs. M. F. Childs, at 777 East Main street. This is the first Christmas Mr. Vroman and Mrs. Childs have spent together in thirty years, it also being the thirtieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Vroman.

Last Thursday afternoon Minora Cornelius gave a Christmas party to her young friends. They spent the afternoon in games, after which a lunch was had. Those present were Harold Simpson, Merten Lowry, Verni Carter, Paul Winters, Earl Mix, Lillian Greer, Gertrude Barber, Dorothy Ricketts, Marian Summers and Clarence Cornelius.

The Ladies' Qui Vive Club met at the home of Mrs. A. A. Young Friday afternoon, December 27. The meeting was led by Mrs. Wilcox, assisted by Mesdames Sayles, Thornton, Young, Evans, Mathewson and Wilcox. Mrs. Thornton will take charge of the meeting Friday, January 3. Sixteen ladies were present and a social time was enjoyed by all. All ladies welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Van Natta entertained at dinner on Christmas in honor of the golden wedding of her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Johnson. There were four generations present at the dinner. A remarkable feature was the presence of Mrs. Elizabeth Doris, mother of Mrs. Johnson. It is very unusual for any person to live to be present at the golden wedding of one of their children. It is needless to say that all enjoyed the occasion very much.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Wilcox were agreeably surprised Thursday evening, December 26, when a number of friends came in to spend the evening. Cribbage was played for some time, then Mrs. Wilcox and daughter Irene served a delightful lunch, after which Mrs. Young's guide entertained us and gave some lovely messages. The party broke up at 11:30. Those present besides the family were Messrs. and Mesdames L. E. Payne, J. P. Sayles, A. A. Young, Mrs. E. Thornton, Mr. E. E. Payne, Mrs. Rouse and little boy, Cecil.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Conner, on Blaine street, entertained Christmas day with a dinner in honor of their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wilson's, first wedding anniversary, Christmas also being the third birthday of Mrs. Wilson's daughter by a former marriage. The home was decorated in green and red in keeping with the holiday season. Covers were laid for eight. Those present were Mrs. A. H. Conner, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Moore of Chico, Cal., Miss Helen Conner and little Dorothy Mildred.

The U. G. Embroidery Club gathered around the open fire at the hospitable home of Mrs. A. W. Storey, on Granite street, last Friday afternoon. The Christmas spirit pervaded the air and the occasion was one of unusual sociability and will not soon be forgotten. Mrs. Storey was assisted in serving a two-course luncheon by her charming daughter, Miss Agnes, who is home from Roseburg for the holidays. The guests were Mesdames Alnut, Seamans, Mattingly, Thompson, Hintze, Leonard, Bovee, Gallivan and Barber, and Misses Watson and Homes.

A jolly company celebrated Christmas eve with Mrs. Adelaide Stephens at her hospitable home on Allison street. Mrs. Stephens is noted for her delightful social functions, and this time was no exception. The house was beautifully decorated with holly, Oregon grape and mistletoe. The main feature of the evening's entertainment was a large Christmas tree laden with gifts, after which a delicious three-course lunch was served. Mr. Thomas acted as Santa Claus and kept the guests convulsed with laughter with his witty remarks. Among the guests were Messrs. and Mesdames William Nelson, Frank Nelson, Herbert Musser, Miss Musser, Baby Elsa Musser, Mrs. Stephens and Mr. Thomas.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Bate-man on Allison street was beautifully decorated last Thursday, December 26, the occasion being the mar-

riage of their daughter Edna to Mr. Otis Valentine Schmitt. The knot was tied under a great wedding bell by the Rev. H. T. Chisholm, the bride's pastor. Only the immediate friends of the young couple were present. After the wedding dinner Mr. and Mrs. Schmitt left on their honeymoon trip. Mr. Schmitt is employed in Grants Pass, where they will be at home to their friends after January 1. Mrs. Schmitt is a talented young lady, receiving her education in the public schools of Ashland. The best wishes of their many friends will go with them.

A social gathering in the nature of a surprise in honor of the 75th birthday of Mrs. L. E. Payne was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Thornton, on Mechanic street, Saturday evening, the 28th of this month, where a number of friends gathered. The entertainment consisted of a Victrola concert, songs, recitations, impromptu speeches, cards and dancing. Sandwiches and cake with tea and coffee were served in the basement dining room, where Mr. and Mrs. Payne were presented with birthday cards, his birthday having preceded her's but ten days, being his 85th. All had an enjoyable time and left for home hoping for another such an opportunity. Among the guests present were Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Sayle, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Young, Mrs. Sadie Mathewson, Clyde Young, Dale Young, Mrs. Ida Jennings, Miss Monice Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Wilcox, Miss Irene Wilcox, Mrs. Robert Goodyear, Mrs. May Stanley, Miss Mabel Stanley, Miss Elma Stanley, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Payne, E. C. Payne.

### Women of Woodcraft.

The last meeting for the year 1912 of Acorn Circle, 54, was held Saturday afternoon, December 28, at 2:30 o'clock, in G. A. R. hall. There was a good attendance. The regular order of business was transacted and visiting members given a hearty welcome. The social hour followed, when Miss Rose Corbett, in charge of the refreshments, served abundantly delicious roast chicken, salad, bread and butter sandwiches, cake and coffee.

### At the Congregational Church.

A musical program was rendered at the Sunday evening service at the Congregational church, after which Professor Irving F. Vining gave an address on "Boyville in the Great Cities." He told of the work being done by the Big Brothers of America, which are in the real sense big brothers to the poor boys of our great and small cities. This organization gives that personal, sympathetic interest without which charity means but little. He told of the practical help which is given these boys, in establishing fresh air camps and playgrounds where these tenement children can breathe God's fresh air and sunshine, without which they would have little opportunity for outdoor life.

During his discourse he told the wonderful story of Jean Val Jean, in Victor Hugo's novel "Les Miserables," and how after years in prison for the stealing of a loaf of bread to feed his sister's starving children, his life was redeemed by the kindness of the good bishop, who saw the good in that wrecked life. Jean Val Jean afterwards became mayor of his home town. This story, he said, shows how environment affects youth and makes criminals of our boys.

He talked of the Boy Scouts and the good this organization is accomplishing.

In conclusion Professor Vining congratulated the boys of our town upon living in a wholesome atmosphere where both mind and body can develop, untrammelled by the vices and unwholesome surroundings which the boys of our great cities have.

### There First.

The lovely girl, having lingered a minute in her room to adjust her transformation, change the angle of her Grecian band, and make sure that her skirt fitted her like the pelling of a plum, descended to the parlor to find the family pet ensconced upon the knee of the young man caller, her curly head nestled comfortably against his shoulder.

"Why, Mabel," the young lady exclaimed, "aren't you ashamed of yourself? Get right down."

"Shan't do it," retorted the child. "I got here first."—Everybody's Magazine.

### INVENTS FISH PRESERVER.

Scot Claims Process Eliminates Ice in Marketing Fresh Product.

London, Dec. 27.—A veritable revolution in the fish trade of the world is foreshadowed by the invention of a Scottish-American, J. R. Henderson, who is now in London. This is nothing less than the abolition of the use of ice for the transport and preservation of fresh fish.

If the process, which is under demonstration on a small scale at Leadenhall Market, achieves all that is expected of it, it will be a boon not only to the trawler and the wholesale distributor, but also to the fishmonger and the consumer. The quantity of ice consumed in the great fishing centers is enormous. The benefit to the fishmonger will consist in the better quality of his fish and the avoidance of much waste in unfavorable weather, while to the consumer opens the alluring prospect of fish with some taste of the sea still left in it.

Mr. Henderson informed a reporter that not a particle of chemicals of any kind is employed; salt and the skillful use of low temperatures are the only influences brought to bear upon the fish.

The whole process occupies about six hours. First of all the fish is placed in a cooling chamber and slowly brought down to a temperature of 32 degrees Fahrenheit. This part of the process takes about two hours. Its purpose is to extract the specific (or latent) heat of the fish. It is a well-known fact that with fish which has been kept on ice, as well as with frozen meat, decay starts from within, near the bone. This is because the latent heat, which is very favorable to the growth of the germs of decay, has not been removed. The danger to the eater lies in the fact that the outside of the fish or meat may still be apparently sound while the interior has become unfit for food.

The latent heat having been completely removed, the fish is plunged into a tank of sea water fortified by the addition of 15 per cent of salt. The purpose of the added salt is to prevent the bath from freezing at the temperature of 11 degrees, to which the bath is reduced. At the same time the water is kept in rapid motion by means of an electrically driven pump, which draws off the water through one pipe and drives it back through another.

During its passage the water passes through a filtering chamber charged with willow charcoal and nodules of coke. This filtering is important. Fish in its natural state contains certain noxious gases, the liberation of which on a hot summer's day makes the vicinity of even the smartest and best kept fishmonger's shop unpleasantly redolent. The noxious gases pass into the brine, to be extracted therefrom in turn by the willow charcoal, which has the faculty of absorbing 90 times its own volume of gas.

It might be supposed that the saltiness of the bath would impart too salt a taste to the fish, but this is not so, because the extreme cold seals up the pores of the fish, producing a sort of enveloping film. At the same time it either kills or, as Henderson expresses it, "gives a nasty knock" to the germs which crowd the surface of the fish.

After four hours the fish are removed from the tank and then, besides preserving their fresh appearance, as well as their resilience, they are impervious to decay for a week to a fortnight—perhaps longer.

"In hot Australian weather," said Henderson, "I have kept fish treated in this way for a fortnight. A parcel of fish is now on the way to America, and I am awaiting a cable announcing its condition."

### CELEBRATED ANNIVERSARY.

Church of Which Rev. Dorrance is Rector Will Build New Edifice.

W. S. Penniston is in receipt of a newspaper clipping sent by Rev. S. M. Dorrance, formerly rector of the local Episcopal church, from Central Falls, Rhode Island, where Mr. Dorrance is rector of St. George's church. The clipping gave an extended account of the celebration of the fortieth anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone of the church edifice. A prominent feature of the occasion was the fact that the church has outgrown its present quarters and a movement is on foot to erect a much larger and more modern church. The paper contained a cut of the proposed church, which shows it to be a very handsome edifice. The anniversary took place December 17, 1912.

—Want to help along a good thing? Come to the Nat Friday night, to the basketball game. Baracas vs. Central Point Y. M. C. A. 62-21

—For dry wood phone 420-J. 62tf

### TALKS ON ADVERTISING TO TIDINGS READERS.

(By Ralph Kaye.)

Women are always on the lookout for goods that not only please them and fill a personal need, but goods that will save their household duties.

Bakery advertising should appeal directly to women.

Now in buying pies, cakes, cookies, bread, etc., what does a woman want to know?

Is it not purity of ingredients, cleanliness in the surroundings where the goods are baked?

She not only considers her own likes and dislikes, but those of her family.

After you have told her the goods are pure and made under sanitary conditions, you must arouse a desire to purchase by appealing to her taste—her appetite—her imagination.

In advertising pumpkin pies, if you tell her they are made of real pumpkins, fresh from the field; that the crust is flaky and crisp, not sticky and doughy; that the tops have an even brown peeping through the powdered sugar, you set her imagination to working. Once you do that, it's a case of making good what you tell her—that's all.

Next talk on grocery advertising.

### USE OF ONIONS URGED.

Dr. Mary Walker Says Tuberculosis Prevents Disease.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—The use of plenty of onions will drive contagious diseases out of any city, Dr. Mary Walker, who is visiting with Chicago friends, declared last night. Here are Dr. Walker's directions for the use of onions:

Eat plenty of them, stewed, boiled, fried or raw; keep the fumes of onions continually permeating the atmosphere.

Spread onions in the alleys, on the lawns and any other place where it might appear they would be good.

Dr. Walker said onions were particularly effective against smallpox. The use of the vegetables in two cities at least has proved her contention, she said.

"Madrid was one of the affected cities," she said. "Some even had made the statement before the onions were used that the city would be depopulated by smallpox. The minister plenipotentiary reported that the spread of the disease had been halted by the use of onions. They also were used in other cities."

### Nothing for Nothing.

"Did you strike copper on that land?"

"Nope."

"Then I suppose you will return the money and take up the stock you sold?"

"Not exactly. We shall promote an orange grove on the land. Two shares of the new stock for one of the old."—New York Mail.

### Tempted.

"Are you going to wear side whiskers if the fashion is revived?"

"I don't know," answered Mr. Cumrox. "I might if it will make some of my wife's callers act as timid and deferential toward me as they do toward my butler."—Baltimore American.

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### SON OF JOHN BROWN DIES.

Only Male Member of Family Now Remaining Lives in Portland.

Akron, O., Dec. 26.—Jason Brown, 90 years old, second son of John Brown, famous as the leader of the raid on Harper's Ferry, W. Va., died at his home here last night.

He was actively engaged in recruiting and enlisting a company of negroes from those smuggled into Canada by the "underground railroad" when the Harper's Ferry incident occurred. A younger brother, Salmon Brown, lives at Portland, Ore.

Salmon Brown, living in Portland, is the last of the sons of the famous John Brown. There are two daughters still living. Salmon Brown did not know that his brother was ill until Thursday, when he was notified through the press that Jason was dead. Salmon Brown will not attend the funeral, as he is crippled and cannot travel. He is 76 years old.

### Fragile Father.

A man traveling in Maine met a middle-aged farmer, who told him his father, aged 90, was still on the farm where he was born.

"Ninety years old, eh?"

"Yep; pop's close to 90."

"Is his health good?"

"Tain't much now. He's been complainin' for a few months back."

"What's the matter with him?"

"I dunno; sometimes I think farmin' don't agree with him."—Saturday Evening Post.

—One-half off on trimmed hats, shapes and fancy feathers and 25 per cent off on beavers at Mrs. Simons', 167 East Main. 56-tf

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CHRISTMAS, with its gift giving and its good cheer, has passed. Now that your mind is again in working order you have probably discovered that, in making your Christmas offerings to loved ones, you overlooked your own most pressing need of a new suit, an overcoat, a pair of shoes or warm underwear, or it may be possible that you neglected to get your wife or daughter goods for a needed dress, a coat or a pair of shoes. Please wake up to the fact that you have one more week in which to buy any article in our store at a reduction.

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